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STUART SPEAKS TO ASSEMBLY

Discusses Segregation Plan For Levying Taxes for Revenue

READS HIS MESSAGE.

School Board to Nominate its Members and People to Elect—Ouster Bill Special Order.

Richmond, Feb. 16—All business in the House was suspended at 12:30 o'clock yesterday to enable the House to go into joint session with the Senate to hear Governor Stuart's special message on the tax problem.

The meeting was held in the hall of the House. The Governor was loudly applauded when he entered the hall. He was presented to the joint session by Speaker Houston, of the House and read his message from the rostrum.

The Governor said in part as follows:

"In view of the efforts of certain organized interests to influence public opinion as to the system of taxation adopted by the special session of the General Assembly of 1915 by means of literature appearing in the newspapers and elsewhere, some of which is in the form of anonymous paid advertisements, I feel it my official duty to present to you some facts and figures which I trust may elicit the careful consideration of your honorable body."

He explained that the subject of taxation segregated to the State are of themselves incapable of yielding the necessary revenue at reasonable and just rates, and it would be unreasonable to expect the state to meet its government obligations out of the revenue arising from those inadequate sources.

That the rates proposed by the auditor on the subjects segregated to the State were not adopted by the Legislature, but different and lower rates were put in force.

The segregation act, as finally adopted, presupposed in its preamble that the act would require amendment by the following Assembly, and that further legislation is now necessary, to give the segregation principle a fair trial.

Under the present segregation act "the rates of taxation on practically every class of property have been substantially reduced. 'Yet the chief opposition to the system comes from those whose rate of taxation has been most reduced.' A very severe cut was made in the rate on intangibles, a reduction of nearly one-half of the rate formerly prevailing in the average city and county, and in some cases more than one-half, and, further, the law allows deductions for debt on most classes, leaving only the net to be taxed, while real estate and tangible property is taxed regardless of indebtedness. A full disclosure of intangible property would increase the available sources of revenue of the State.

Examiners of records have added to the tax lists under the act about $80,000,000 for the current year, a sum almost as much as the aggregate assessment of all the physical property, excluding rolling stock, of all the railroads, in the State. This, in the Governor's opinion, is only the beginning of what may be added if the General Assembly will establish a period for the assessment of taxes omitted prior to 1915.

"We are now face to face with the question as to whether or not a system which shows these benefits shall be endorsed and supported by appropriate legislation, with a view to making permanent the advantages already gained."

"Who, then," said the Governor, "is complaining of the results of segregation?

"The great bulk of complaint comes from the owners of the class of property of which $75,000,000 has been discovered, assessed and taxed this year for the first time in its existence, taxed not at the exorbitant rates provided under the old system, but under the reasonable rates provided by the segregation system."

The House passed the proposed constitutional amendment providing for the election of the State Board of Public Instruction by the people and prohibiting the board from changing textbooks more often than once in ten years.

Under the provisions of the amendment the board is to consist of the Governor, the Attorney General, the Superintendent of Public Instruction and four experienced educators. The four educators are to be elected by the people from a list of candidates nominated by the State educational institutions.

In making changes in textbooks the board is to act upon the recommendations of a textbook commission of five men to be named by the Governor.

The proposed constitutional amendment suggested by Hugh A. White of Rockbridge, to hold a thirty-day session of the Legislature every year was defeated. The House also voted down the Cornet (Grayson county) amendment designed to shorten by two years the time required to amend the Constitution—now six years.

Forty-nine of the eighty-seven delegate in their seats today voted against the constitutional amendment proposed by Lindsay Gordon, of Louisa, to allow the people to elect Supreme Court and circuit court judges.

The vote in favor of the resolution was considered surprisingly large, and lays the foundation, many believe, for the passage of the resolution by the Legislature of 1918.

WATERBACKS EXPLODE

Four Members of Family Are Painfully Injured.

Baltimore, Feb. 16—When the waterback of a kitchen range exploded yesterday morning in the home of Lenrd H. Bears, 1604 West Pratt street, four persons were painfully injured by flying fragments of hot iron and the steam that shot out from a broken pipe. All the members of the family, except Bears, who was asleep at the time, were seated around the breakfast table when the waterback exploded, throwing pieces of iron in every direction.

Jessup, Md., Feb. 16—A frozen waterback did much damage at the home of Robert Steele, of the Old Annapolis road, Jessup, at an early hour yesterday morning. Mr. Steele, having lighted the kitchen range, left the room only a short while, when a terrific explosion occurred, which aroused the other members of the family, and upon their entering the room, which was almost filled with smoke, it was found the stove was blown to pieces coals were burning the carpet, plaster was knocked from the ceiling, window panes were out and water was rushing across the floor.

STAB TWO BRIDE KISSERS

Aliens' Nuptial Amenties Not Quite at the Proper Stage.

Chester, Pa., Feb. 16—When several guests at a Polish wedding Sunday undertook to claim the privilege of kissing the bride before the bridegroom was in humor to grant them the right, a general fight took place, during which Stanley Hudson and Michael Fritz were stabbed in their backs, heads and breasts, and are now in the Chester Hospital in a serious condition.

According to custom the Polish bride permits each guests to kiss her as a contribution plate is passed around and a sum of money collected for the bride. The collection had not come up to the mark when Hudson and Fritz attempted to kiss the young wife.

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COUNCIL HOLDS BRIEF MEETING

Small Volume of General Business Disposed of Last Night

DISCUSS TAX ISSUE

Will ask Legislature to Take Steps to Change Constitution Concerning Improvement Tax.

City Council is going to use its best efforts to have Senate bill No. 273, now pending in the legislature, killed because its passage would mean a loss of revenue to the city of Alexandria of about $14,000.

First action on this measure was taken last night by council when Councilman Bryan introduced a resolution setting forth that this bill defining "tangible and intangible" property would materially affect Alexandria, and that the senator from this district and the member of the house of delegates from this city be requested to use their best endeavors to defeat its passage.

A copy of the bill was read to council by Councilman Bryan. It sets forth that all capital invested in goods, wares etc., shall be considered intangible.

This city he explained now receives from such about $14,000, collecting at the rate of $1.80 on the $100, and under the provisions of the bill this would become intangible and the tax would be collected by the state of Virginia at the rate of 65 cents on the $100. It would, he added, be within the power of the state to increase it very materially and the state would get all of the revenue therefrom. The resolution was adopted unanimously.

The report of the joint committee on streets and general laws recommending that the representatives in the legislature from this city and district be instructed to use their efforts to remove restrictions in the constitution of Virginia prohibiting cities from making local assessments upon private property abutting on streets upon which public permanent improvements are made, was adopted.

An ordinance authorizing the finance committee to issue to the commissioners of the Sinking Fund interest certificates for $29,500 bonds of the issue of 1908 was adopted.

It was explained by Councilman Bryan that the object is to enable the finance committee to take up and destroy $29,500 of bonds now held in the safe in the auditor's office, the property of the sinking fund commissioners. Its real object is for safety, he said.

Councilman Clinton Ballenger introduced a resolution that the police committee report at the next meeting of council the cost of an auto police patrol, cost of housing same and its upkeep together with the cost of a system of telephones and call boxes for same to be located at different corners throughout the corporate limits of the city. This was referred to the joint committee on finance and police.

The report of the street committee that the Alexandria Water Company be notified that the city this summer contemplates improving Leesburg Turnpike, Duke street extended, and the Russell road was adopted This report was made in order that the company may have an opportunity of laying its mains on these roads before they are improved.

A resolution of Councilman Desmond that the fire committee be empowered to get estimates on 1500 feet of hose for the fire department was referred to the fire committe.

The sum of $125 was appropriated for cinders to be placed on Madison and Montgomery streets between Columbus streets.

A resolution of Councilman Bales appropriating $40 for flagstones crossings at Fayette and Princess streets was adopted.

Petition from residents the square on Pendleton street between Columbus and Washington streets asking for the improvement of that square with a bituminous macadam roadway, they agreeing to pay their share of the cost, was referred to the joint committee on streets and finance.

Jonathan Matthews was granted permission to erect frame storage building in square bounded by King, Prince, Lee and Union streets, same to be covered with a fireproof roof and corrugated iron on sides.

Councilman H. R. Burke said it would be perfectly safe, and he saw no objection to granting permission.

Permission was granted James Taylor to erect frame kitchen at 816 Wolfe street.

Board of Aldermen.

President Field and Messrs. Brill, Robinson, Ballenger and Fitzgerald responded to the call last night. No new business was submitted and the Aldermen concurred in the action of the Common Council on all papers sent in, which will be found in the official proceedings.

KNIFE SAVES HIS LIFE

Remarkable Operation on Boy's Brain in Philadelphia Is A Success

Philadelphia, Feb. 16—Success has crowned the efforts of physicians at the Roosevelt Hospital, who have been fighting against great odds to save the life of Oscar Dean, a six-year-old boy, who was run down by a trolley car on New Year's Day and horribly mangled.

The boys owes his life to the skill with which Dr. Franklin Brady, surgeon-in-chief of the institution, handled his knife in one of the most remarkable brain operations ever performed in this city, physicians at the hospital declare.

Oscar Dean was carried into the Roosevelt Hospital badly crushed, and to all appearances dead. Police actually reported him dead.

Dr. Frank E. Boston determined that there was one chance in a thousand the boy's life might be spared. The right side of his skull was crushed, and several arteries of the brain had been severed, causing internal bleeding.

Dr. Brady was summoned, and he removed the crushed sections of the skull, opened up the dure, a skin covering the brain, located the torn arteries and tried them together, thus stopping the flow of blood.

During this delicate operation the eight or nine pieces of skull bone which had been removed were placed in a warm saline solution to maintain their normal condition and to prevent their drying. They were afterward replaced and skin grafted over them.

DIES AFTER SEEING MOVIES

Excitement of Thrilling Pictures Blamed for Man's Sudden End

Atlantic City, Feb. 16—Excitement caused by witnessing a thrilling photoplay in an Atlantic avenue motion picture theatre Monday is believed to have been mainly responsible for the sudden death of James McMullin, manager of Markis Hotel, Missouri and Fairmount avenues. He returned from the theatre to the hotel soon after 10 o'clock, and, complaining of the severe cold, requested the bartender to prepare a drink. Before he could raise it to his lips, Mc Mullin fell to the floor unconscious, and when the police patrol arrived a few minutes later, with a physician from the City Hospital, he was dead.

Mullin was 33 years of age and came here four years ago from Philadelphia.

NOTICE F. O. E.

Members of Alva Aerie No. 871, Fraternal Order of Eagles. You are requested to assemble on Wednesday, February 16th, 1916, at 8 o'clock p. m., to receive the District Deputy W. E. Cowan, who will visit us at this time.

Respectfully yours in L. T. J. E.
J. P. McDERMOTT, Worthy Pres.

Two ships are in distress off the Virginia Capes as a result of the storm. The crew of a barge has been rescued. Other S. O. S. calls has been picked up and the coast guard cutter Onondaga and Seminole are at sea searching for the distressed craft: The barge Henry F. Hooper, battered by the seas, filled with water five miles north of Diamond Shoals. The crew were taken off by the Clyde liner Mohawk after having clung to the rigging for several hours. The schooner N. H. Burrows is reported aground six miles off Hog Island. An unknown steamer also is reported in distress.

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RUSSIAN SHIPS DESTROYED

Bolton Castle and Pacific Prey to Flames at Docks in New York

THRILLING ESCAPES

Captain of Bolton City Says Explosion Preceded Fire—Plot Seen in Burning of Ships.

New York, Feb. 16—Suddenly bursting into flame, the steamship Bolton Castle was destroyed by fire early today at her slip in Brooklyn.

The steamer Pacific, lying nearby, also was burned to the water's edge when the flames ate their way through the pier.

Both vessels were in the service of theRussian government. The Bolton Castle was loaded with parafine, gasolene and oils, and the Pacific nearly half loaded.

Fire Marshal Broph and Fire Chief Kenlon immediately began an investigation, detaining members of the crews for questioning. They believe the fire started under suspicious circumstances, and suspect a possible bbom plot.

All available fire apparatus in Brooklyn was called into action to prevent a general conflagration, and every fire boat in the southern end of the city played stream on the burning vessels and the pier. For a time it was feared the fire would go beyond control.

When the fire was brought under control it was declared no lives were believed to have been lost. Fifty naked men were rescued from one sand barge.

President Claude Wood, of the Atlantic Stevedore Company, said there was more than a million dollars worth of merchandise on the destroyed pier and estimated the total loss in ships merchandise and pier upward of $4,000,000.

It was reported that twenty-five coolies were missing from the Pacific but this has not been confirmed. The ship's officers say if they escaped the coolies probably would have fled from the scene. Six members of the Bolton Castle's crew were also reported missing.

Joseph Johnson, an engineer of the Bolton Castle, told a vivid story of the fire, one of the most spectacular in the history of the water front.

Johnson was walking on the forward deck, he said, when there was a terrific explosion in the hold. Instantly the forward portion of the ship became a furnace of flames, and Johnson dived into the slip and swam to pier 36'.

The pier, jammed with stevedores and freight, in a few wmoments also was a mass of flames. The fire next leaped to the Pacific, and both ships and the pier, according to Johnson, were completely enveloped in fire in an incredibly short time.

Firemen aboard the fireboat New York, at the risk of instant death, nosed their vessel alongside the Pacific when the fire was at its height and averted further disaster by towing away a gasolene-laden lighter. Burning brands were already falling on the lighter's deck, about which were piled 150 barrels of gasolene.

Six lighters were drawn along the vessel's sides. More than fifty stevedores and their families sleeping aboard these lighters were saved by firemen with a bridge of rope.

One of the Pacific's seamen, trapped as he ran up from below, climed the fifty-foot mast, and half naked hung at the top peak, yellowing for help. Flames roared below him. He dared not jump, fearing he could not clear the deck. One of the fire tugs shot him a line from a gun used by life-savers. He knotted one end about the mast and slid to safety while his comrades on deck cheered him wildly.

W. D. Haynes, aged 25 years, employed as a fireman by the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company, was instantly killed early last night when he fell beaneath a shifting engine in the yards at Newport News.

LOCAL BREVITIES

The will of the late Emma J. Hunter, was admitted to probate in the Circuit Court for the city in vacation today. Thomas S. Hunter qualified as executor.

W. E. Cowan, district deputy of the order of Eagles, will pay his official visit to Alva Aerie, No. 871, Fraternal Order of Eagles, at a meeting to be held tonight at 8 o'clock.

Tonight is the regular meeting night in course of the Board of Police Commissioners, but Commissioner Knight being in Richmond, representing the Retail Merchants' Association, the board will not meet until tomorrow night.

A number of guests from Washington attended the meeting of Martha Washington, Chapter No. 42, Order of the Eastern Star, which was held last night in Masonic Temple. The degrees were conferred and there was a musical program. Refreshments were served.

The first of the two subscription dances to be given under the management of the Alexandria Assembly will take place at Elks' Hall on Friday of the present week, February 18th. The tickets for this dance can be secured at Gibson's Drug Store. This will be the eighth dance this season given by this most popular organization, and a large attendance is expected.

GERMANY AGREES.

Substitutes Words "Recognizes Liability" for "Assumes Liability."

Washington, Feb. 16.—Germany is understood to have agreed to the suggestion of the United States that she substitute the words "recognize liability" for the words "assumes liabil. ity" in the tentative draft of the communication designed to settle the Lusitania case.

The revised draft was received here late last night from Berlin. It will be submitted to Secretary Lansing today by Count von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador.

Several other changes desired by the United States and described as being of minor importance also are said to have been made. In one instance, however, Germany is understood to have proposed a change in the language suggested by the American government.

From high Teutonic authority last night came the statement that it was expected the Lusitania case would be finally settled to the satisfaction of the United States and Germany at the conference today between Secretary Lansing and Count von Bernstorff. American officials already have said the two governments were "substantially in accord."

PARADED BEFORE EXECUTION

Juarez Makes Execution Occasion For Holiday.

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 16— Six prisoners under death sentence were marched through the streets of Juarez for half an hour yesterday, escorted by three drum corps and aregiment of soldiers, prior to the execution of three of the accused.

The execution was attended by a large crowd of civilian residents of Juarez at the invitation of General Gavira.

Juan Aguilar, trumpeter to General Gaira; Francis Rojas, a civilian, and Jose Morena, a soldier, convicted of traffic in stolen ammunition were executed in order. Then came a pause.

Crispin Guevara, a soldier; Rafael Galvis and Eligio Salcedo, remaining prisoners and witnesses to the executions, were striving to stand erect when Col. Fajardo stepped to the bodies of those executed and announced further executions suspended. Cheers in which some of the soldiers joined greeted the announcement.

Guevara was the only one of the reprieved suspected of dealing in ammunition. The other two were employes of the Hearst ranch at Babricora, charged with stealing and selling ranch provisions. Their reprieve was secured by the American ranch manager.

DIED—At her mother's residence, 912 Duke street, at 3:55 a. m. February 15, 1916, LESSIE EATON BRAWNER, beloved wife of C. Philip Brawner, aged 31 years. Funeral Thursday, 4 p. m.

GERMANS MAKE GREAT SMASH

Capture British Front Trench Over Distance of 800 Yards

LONDON ADMITS LOSS

Teutonic Forces Suddenly Switch Their Offensive in Eastern Zone to Sector Around Ypres

London, Feb. 16.—Switching their offensive from the Artois and Champagne regions in France to the Belgian sector around Ypres held by the British, the Germans have smashed their way by an artillery bombardment and infantry attacks into a British front-line trench over a distance of between 600 and 800 yards. Berlin gives the distance as 800 yards, and the British official communication, in admitting the gain asserts that it was on a front of about 600 yards. Berlin says that a majority of the defenders of the trench were killed, and that one officer and several dozens of soldiers were taken prisoners.

In the Artois region, between Lens and Bethune, the crater of a mine blown up by the Germans was occupied by them, while the French guns have been busy shelling German organizations in the neighborhood of the road to Lille. The French also bombarded German positions north of Vic-sur-Aisne and to the northeast of Soissons, and in the Argonne exploded a mine and occupied the crater.

In Champagne, Berlin asserts, French infantry attempts to regain lost positions north of Tahure were repulsed as likewise was a similar attack in the Vosges, near Ober-Spet.

There has been a considerable renewal of activity on the Russian front around Dvinsk, to the south of the Pripet River, and along the upper and middle Stripa River, but no important changes have occurred.

The Italians are still using their guns and infantry in attempts to retake from the Austro-German forces the positions recently captured on Monte Rombon, but all attempts have been repulsed, with heavy losses, according to Vienna. Both sides of Sisera are occupied by the Austrians, and positions in the Seebach Valley and on the Austrian front between the Fella Valley and Viesch Mountain also have been heavily bombarded by the Italians.

The Russians are still on the offensive against the Turks in the Caucasus region, but Constantinople reports their attacks have been halted by counter-attacks. In Mesopotamia the situation around Kut-el-Amara and Felahie, where the British are operating against the Turks, is unchanged.

BEAR CHASES GIRL MILES

Falling Exhausted, She is Almost Frozen to Death.

Kittanning Pa., Feb. 16—Chased more than two miles by a bear which she encounted in the road near her home in Furnace Run on the other side of the Allengheny River, early Monday morning, Miss Sue Rassier, aged 18, was later found unconscious in front of the power house at the Mohawk mines. When she was picked up medical aid was summoned, as the young woman's hands and feet were found to be frozen, and she was in a serious condition from fright and exposure.

Miss Rassier regained consciousness a few hours after she had been taken home. When able to talk she told of meeting the bear in the road as the animal emerged from a clump of woods. Although she tried to hide, Bruin gave chase and followed her until she dropped from exhaustion in front of the big power house. At that time she says, the bear was less than 40 feet behind her. It is believed that the buzzing of the electrical machinery in the power station frightened the bear and caused him to give up the chase.

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GEN'L. NICHOL SPEAKS

Several Hundred Parents of Pupils of Alexandria High School Present

Several hundred parents of students of the Alexandria High School heard a stirring address at the Westminster Building last night, by Gen. E. W. Nichol, superintendent of the Virginia Military Institute on the subject of military training in the high schools and preparedness of the United States to resist invasion.

The meeting was held in the interest of the organization in the high school of a military company. Conrad Johnson, principal of the school, presided.

Mr. Johnson told of the plans for the company, which have been approved by the school trustees and all that was needed, he said, was the co-operation of the parents. An enlistment blank to be filled out by the boys and endorsed by the parents, will be sent out today and upon the returns it will be seen whether or not the company can organize. He said that he hoped by May 24th to be able to turn out a company of 55 cadets, that would be a pride to the community and would also tend to make better citizenship. The entire cost to the parents would be $15 for each boy and this expense would include the purchase of a suit of clothing which could be worn at all time. Mr. Johnson presented to the audience James Duncan accoutered in the uniform such as proposed to have the cadets wear and the audience heartily applauded.

Gen. Nichol in his address said that he favored compulsory military training for the boys of the United States following their graduation from school. This, he said, would be an answer to the call for preparedness and would do away with the necessity of a continental army as well as a big National guard.

Gen. Nichol gave a convincing resume of the results which could be expected from military training, summed up in the word discipline, physical-mental-moral. The following he said were some of the results to be obtained:

Prompt attention to duty.
Recognition of constituted authority
Improvement to carriage and method of holding oneself and in walking.
Care of body, breathing, neatness, hygiene, sanitation, rules of health.
Courtesy.
Obedience.
First Aid to the injured.
Manuel of arms, shooting, woodcraft.
Field sketching, map drawing, use of the compass.
Democracy, every boy in the same dress, standing upon his own merits.
Love of God's great out-of-doors, by marching, camping, etc.
Co-ordination of faculties.
Attention, concentration, readiness, exactness accuracy.

Gen. Nichol in his talk on preparedness said that Germany had undoubtedly caused the present war; that the United States had no friends among the nations of the world and that trouble was liable to come to us at any time. He referred to the war between the states and said that if the north had been prepared the war would not have lasted 6 months and that if the south had been prepared they would have taken Washington, secured recognition of the European powers and the result might have been very different.

Lieut. E. Z Steever, U. S. A.-delivered an interesting address on military training in the high schools explaining how the work has been organized in the Wyoming schools.

MERCHANTS LICENSES

J. W. Monroe, president of the Retail Merchants Association of Alexandria, left today for Richmond to appear before the finance committee of the general assembly which will hold a meeting tonight on the proposal to increase the merchant's state license. Robert E. Knight, of this city vice-president of the Virginia Retail Merchants, is also in attendance.

FUNERALS

The funeral of Mrs. C. Phillip Brawner, who died yesterday will take place tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock from the residence of her mother, 912 Duke street. That of Miss Mary Nalls will be held at 3 o'clock tomorrow from 415 south Washington street, and services for Mrs. Lucy J. Barron will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow from her late home on Duke street extended.

Oysters in All Styles at the Rambler Cafe.

TAX ON AUTOMOBILES

Representatives of Alexandria Club Confer With Members of House of Delegates

Messrs. G. Washington Lewis and Harry Hammond, the special committee recently appointed by the Alexandria Automobile Club of this city, yesterday went to Richmond to interview Delegate J. Fred Birrell and Senator R. E. Thornton in regard to automobile legislation now pending in the State Legislature.

While there Messrs. Hammond and Lewis had a conference with State Senator Trinkle, of Wythevile, Va., who is pushing this legislation in the Senate. The bill passed by the House recently was gone over with Senator Trinkle very carefully and the views of the Alexandria Automobile Club committee were carefully considered. Senator Trinkle promises to lend his support as far as practicable to the same when the matter comes up for consideration in the Senate.

While the bill is still in its formulative state, it is regarded as probable that the automobile license will be fixed upon the horsepower of the machine. A rate of 40 cents per horsepower will be the probable rate. It is also probable that the money received from automobile licenses is to go to good road maintenance.

While at the Capitol Messrs. Hammond and Lewis also called on Hon. Lewis H. Machen, formerly of this city, now Chief of the Legislative Reference Bureau, in reference to the measure.

ARMING MERCHANT SHIPS

United States Concedes Claims of Entent Powers.

The United States, it was said by high authoritiy at the State Department yesterday, concedes that the entente allies are within their rights under prevailing international law in arming merchant ships for defensive purposes, no matter what conditions exist on the seas.

Consequently it is admitted that should the allies decline to adopt the American suggestion to disarm merchantmen, founded primarily on a desire to save the lives of innocent noncombatants, this government cannot announce its approval of the intentions of the Teutonic powers to torpedo without warning after February 29 all armed vessels, although various high officials are convinced that the position of Germany and Austria is justified.

BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

War Costing Nation Twenty-five Million Dollars a Day.

London, Feb. 16—There was little that was spectacular or sensational about the opening yesterday of the new session of the British parliament. The parliament started on its business with a sober air befitting the serious business which it is to accomplish in the next few weeks.

The prime minister, Mr. Asquith, in the house of commons said that next week a very large vote of credit would be asked. He announced that the war expenditure amounted to nearly $25,000,000 daily, with no propspect of reduction. The nation's liabilities on January 1 had reached a figure, which would strain its resources for a generation, and staggered imagination. He asserted that the burden could only be met by large additions to taxation.

HELD FOR GRAND JURY

In police court this morning Ulysses G. Roberts and Harry Brown were held for the action of the grand jury by Justice Caton, on the charge of breaking and entering a residence owned by Mrs. John P. Robinson, 219 south Pitt street. The men broke open a window in the basement and stole lead pipe and brass connections.

"THE NIGGER" IN FILMS.

Tomorrow night Manager Phillips will present that much talked of picture entitled "The Nigger" In this picture Wm. Fox presents the $100,000 artist Wm. Farnum. In New York the film was shown at the Hipprodrome at prices ranging from 50c to $3.00, and played to capacity. The motive was dramatized from Edward Sheldon's great success, under the title "The New Governor," and wherever shown has created much interest.

In addition a number of high class vaudeville acts will be offered for the balance of the week, and considerable expense has been gone to in order to give only the very best kind of acts obtainable to the numerous friends of the New Opera House.

WILL OPPOSE THE BILL

City Council Passes Resolution Protesting Against Proposed Taxation Law.

Facing a loss of revenue of $14,000 per annum on account of a proposed change in the state taxation laws, which will also mean an additional sum of $13,000 to be paid by the merchants of Alexandria to the state, a total loss to Alexandria in favor of the state of $27,000, city council went on record last night as vigorously opposing the proposed bill and passed a resolution calling on the city representatives in the general assembly in session in Richmond to use their best efforts to defeat the bill.

The matter was brought to the attention of council by Councilman Albert Bryan, chairman of the finance committee, who explained that the amendment proposes to transfer "capital used by merchants," from the tangible to intangible property list. The city is now given the right to tax the former and the state the latter, and the change in the definition will mean the transfer to the state the right of taxing all capital now used in Alexandria. While the city's assessment of this capital is low, about $800,000, the state rate would be based on the exact amount approximating $4,000,000. Merchants therefore would be compelled to pay the state rate of 65 cent per $100, on the full amount of their capital instead of the city rate of $1.80 based on an assessment of about one-fifth of the same, and all of the money received from this taxation would leave the city.

The dwelling house and all its contents belonging to Charles T. Turner in Page county were destroyed by fire yesterday. Mrs. Turner and several small children were at home when the fire started and narrowly escaped with their lives. The roof of the building was about to fall when the fire was discovered and the clothing which Mrs. Turner and children had on was all that was saved.

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WHAT THEIR RELATIVES THINK.

The nation is still glowing with indignation for the Lusitania outrage. There are still public voices demanding war, or steps leading to war unless Germany without further delay grants full apology, reparation and pledges for the future. But it hasn't occurred to many of the hot-heads to inquire what the Americans most vitally interested—the relatives of the victim's—think about it.

The New York World recently asked these citizens what, in their opinion, should be done to end the diplomatic deadlock with Germany. The replies showed strong feeling, as was to have been expected. But they also revealed the surprising fact that not one of the bereaved relatives wants the nation to go to war to avenge his bitter grievance.

One man, whose father and mother were killed, believes that our government should break off relations with Germany and should help the allies so far as possible—but not to the point of joining them in the struggle. Another citizen, whose brother was killed, is content to stand aside and let the government do the best it can along present lines, saying the neither money nor disavowals will bring back the lives lost." A woman who lost her daughter says she has seen to much of the war to want her fellow-countrymen involved in it.

Nearly all the replies are in this vein. These Americans who, from the personal and human point of view constitute a natural jury to sit in judgment on the case, want their country to take a firm and dignified stand for law and humanity, and hold to it without budging; but they do not want to plunge the nation into the bloody struggle because of the Lusitania offense, or because of all Germany's offenses together.

They are not absolutely opposed to war. They are willing to fight and to die, they say, if the nation is forced into a position that demands it for the sake of life and honor; but they do not want to fight and die for the Lusitania. They have not lost faith in the peaceful methods of maintaining a just cause. They do not want to add horror to horror needlessly. And in this view they speak as typical Americans.

NEARING 102,000,000

We have hardly got used to speaking of our national population as 100,000,000 It is less than a year since the census bureau assured us that those rotund figures were justified, and most of us still use them with a sort of mental reservation. And now the census experts assure us that we are already safely past that mark—that on January 1, 1916, there was 101,208,315 people in the United States, and that on July 1 there will be 102,017,302 people in the United States.

It is impossible to think of these rapidly mounting figures without a feeling of wonder and awe. In one year we are gaining more than half as many people as there were in the whole United States when the republic was established. Soon we shall be adding the whole population of our thirteen original colonies in one year—and then soon we shall be doubling that.

This growth of the nation proceeds with the resistless power of a great force of nature. We cannot help becoming ever bigger and mightier. Even if we were to stop all immigration, we should go on multiplying as China has multiplied. Eventually we shall doubtless have more people than China has today. And those hundreds of millions will not be Chinese—"human cabbage heads", as somebody once called them. No matter how many of us there may be in the future generations, we can't help believing that all will have the individuality and power that have characterized our people from the beginning—and a far more resistless collective power.

That is what makes the steady increment of numbers so significant. What will those hundreds of millions do?

GASOLINE ACCIDENTS

A new word, "petromortis", has come into use lately. It's a queer word, derived according to no recognized rule from the "petrol"—the European term for gasoline—and the Latin word "mors", meaning death. But its meaning is simple and plain enough. It means asphyxiation by fumes from a gasoline engine.

Several cases have come into public notice recently. Automobilist have lost their lives by letting their engines run, in closed garages, until the air was vitiated. The burnt air-and-gasoline fumes may not be actively poisonous, but they cause death when breathed for any length of time, just as do the fumes from a gas of charcoal stove in a tightly closed room. Every person who uses any form of gas engine should recognize this danger.

Most gasoline accidents are of a different sort, caused by explosions. Gasoline as a liquid will not explode. Even gasoline vapor by itself is non-explosive. It becomes dangerous when combined with air. The principle of the gasoline engine is the utilization of this explosive power of mixed air and gasoline vapor. Gasoline evaporates rapidly, and a very small amount goes a long way. The Journal of the American Medical Association explains that one gallon of evaporated gasoline may render 2,100 cubic feet of air explosive. An explosion may result from the absorption of only one part of gasoline vapor to 70 parts of air. And such an explosion, besides blowing up everything in its vicinity may set the open gasoline receptacle aflame and starts a disastrous fire. All that is needed is a lighted match or a gas flame or a spark to set off the mixture.

Many fires are started, too, by people cleaning gloves or other articles with gasoline. They rub the soiled articles, and the friction heats the gasoline until it takes fire. Such cleaning should be done cautiously, in the open air.

A government bureau of mines experts reports that 1,040 persons were burned to death and 3,120 were injured from gasoline fires in the year 1913. The casualties from this cause are doubtless far greater now.

FACING A NEW CONSCRIPTION

(Richmond Times-Dispatch)

Germany has stopped thinking that the economic losses of the war are to be made good by a huge indemnity wrested from her enemies. Some talk of indemnities still persist, but it is weak and faint-hearted. Thoughtful men throughout the empire are dicussing openly the tremendous burden of taxation the people must bear after the treaty of peace is signed.

In the very interesting discussion of these issues appears the view of Count Kospoth, a member of the House of Lords of the Prussian Diet. He comes out frankly for the confiscation of private property, although to make the sound less harsh to interested ears, he speaks of his scheme as "the lessening of individual fortune." It means the same thing. By tremendous inheritance taxes, by confiscatory imposts on incomes and like devices, the money of the people will be transferred to the coffers of the government.

And why not? In the German theory the nation is a superior entity—superior not alone to the individual, but to the mass of individuals. The people exist for the state, not the state for the people. The German patriotism is objective, rather than subjective.

Moreover, conscription is a cardinal principle of the government. In times of peace, as well as in times of war, the manhood of Germany is forced to bear arms. If there is to be a conscription of life, why not also a conscription of property? It can scarcely be said, even in Germany, that money, securities and lands are more sacred than human flesh and blood.

Germany cannot win this war, and at last she knows it. The tender of a separate peace to Belgium was a confession of this newly discovered impotency. The blows being dealt on the western front are but the struggles of the shackled giant to burst his bonds. Germany already has begun to draw in its lines. There are only a few thousand German soldiers in Constantinople, and the widely heralded attack on Saloniki almost certainly has been abondoned. The expedition against Egypt, accorded a similar publicity, was a mere bluff. This summer will witness, if not the end of the struggle, at least the victory decided —and victory will not rest on the Teuton banners.

Germany does well to consider the aftermath of war—that day of reckoning, internal as well as external, that she must face. Then, we believe, the German people will come to their senses and to an understanding of the falsity of the teachings by which their thought has been perverted and crystallized in error. The awakening may not be swift— it is more likely to be gradual, for war's enmities and hatreds for a time will solidify Germany against the world—but it will come. Autocracy then will be at a discount, and liberal, democratic concepts of liberty and opportunity will come into their rightful heritage.

NEWS OF THE DAY

Nine persons are dead in the cold wave which has now begun to relax its grip on New York. The cold drove nearly 500 persons to apply for shelter at the municipal lodging house.

Startling testimony on the possibility of a spread of leprosy in the United States was given before the Senate Committee on Public Health and National Qaurantine yesterday.

One man was killed and three others painfully but not seriously injured early yesterday when the Seaboard Air Line Railroad's Florida Limited, northbound, crashed into the rear end of a freight train at Franklinton, N. C.

National-wide woman's suffrage was killed yesterday by the House Judiciary Committee, so far as action at the present session of Congress is concerned. By a vote of 9 to 7, the committee voted to defer consideration of the proposed constitutional amendment until December 14.

The Russian war office has issued tonight the following supplement to the official communication. "In addition to the two Erzerum forts already announced as captured by our forces seven other forts have been taken. There is thus a total of nine Erzerum forts now in our hands."

Exploding gasoline tanks, bursting hose, and freezing weather made spectacular a fire destroying seventeen automobiles and doing damage estimated at from $11,000 to $18,000 in the Probey-Arrison Motor Company, 3241 Prospect avenue northwest, last night in Washinton.

Samuel Butts, about 60 years old, pumpman for the Western Maryland Railway Company at Cherry Run, near Hagerstown, Md., was found in the pumphouse yesterday dead, with his skull crushed. He had evidently been caught in the flywheel of the large gasoline engine used to operate the pumping plant, and his life crushed out.

Harry Schoeffel, an embalmer employed by Phillip Voelcker, a New York undertaker, last night confessed to the police how he had killed his wife after a quarrel. Then he embalmed her body, faked a death certificate and conducted the funeral. Later on the neighbors gave the health department a clew and the body was ordered sent to the morgue. The coroner's verdict was that death was caused by suffocation.

France will require $1,590,064,000 to run the government and conduct the war the second quarter of 1916. Of this amount $1,266,688,000 will be for military purposes. These figures were contained in the budget introduced in the Chamber of Deputies yesterday by Minister of Finance Ribot. Since the beginning of the war the expenditures, including those estimated for the next quarter, amount to $9,300,000,000. Of this sum $6,500,000,000 were for the conduct of the war.

William Jennings Bryan, it is declared will oppose the renomination of President Wilson in the Democratic national convention. He will base this opposition upon the one-term plan and upon his advocacy of preparedness. Bryan made Wilson's nomination possible, at Baltimore. He will, his friends declare, train the same guns upon the President at St. Louis to prevent his again being the choice of the Democratic party. If he fails in his mission he will support Wilson's candidacy—as he did that of Alton B. Parker.

Mrs. Johnnie Jenkins, who is under indictment charged with complicity in the murder of her husband, Philip G. Jenkins, at Pine Bluff, Ark., is the sole benficiary in the will of her husband, filed for probate here. The value of the estate is estimated at $100,000. A shot from the darkness killed Jenkins, as he went out on the porch of his home. T. S. Bradbury, a former employe of Jenkins, who was staying at the Jenkins home has been indicted, charged with the killing. It is alleged that Mrs. Jenkins sent her husband out to get a glass of water, knowing that Bradbury was lurking in the darkness waiting to kill him.

Baron von Busch the German Minister at Bucharest, replying to a question as to why Germany delays her attack on Saloniki, made the following statement during a private conversation. "We shall do nothing more. We consider that we have enough territory and shall remain on the defensive, on all fronts, awaiting the attacks of the allies." Notwithstanding this, there is positive information that the Germans are preparing for a violent offensive against Kieff. The rumor is current that Field Marshal von Mackensen, the noted German leader, has declined all responsibility for the results if the attack on Saloniki is delayed.

VIRGINIA NEWS

Old Point will be the next place of meeting of the Virginia Bankers' Association, which will be held some time in June.

Willie Higgs, a twelve-year-old boy was drowned in a lake north of Basic City Saturday afternoon while fishing.

Four Mormon missionaries have made application to the Board of Control for permission to preach the gospel of Mormonism on the streets of Norfolk.

Wanted in Accomac county on the charge of assaulting and attempting to kill Harry C. Mears, a farmer, Clarence Kellan, colored has been arrested in Baltimore. Kellan has been wanted since July 27, 1912.

Fire and water badly damaged the interior of the residence of R. N. Page, one of Staunton's wealthy citizens yesterday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Page, both ill with grip, had to removed to the home of neighbors.

Holding that James V. Trehy, clerk of the Corporation Court of Norfolk, had done all he could to comply with the letter of the law, Police Justice Arnold on Monday decided to dismiss the charge against him of failing to make in time and place in the hands of the city sergeant copies of the list of persons who have paid their poll taxes within the time specified by law.

Yesterday morning Douglas Lynch, a negro employed at the Dupont works at Hopewell, engaged in a pistol duel with Aberdon Mildron, another negro, said to have been the assailant. When the duel ended each man had three bullets in his body. Lynch being dead from a bullet which reached his heart. Mildron was shot in the stomach, in the chest and also in an arm. He is now in Petersburg Hospital and is not expected to live. The exact cause of the trouble between them is not known.

On Monday afternoon, in Pocahontas, Ocie Kirk and James Hamilton, two negroes, got into a difficulty over a woman of their mutual acquaintance During the trouble Kirk shot Hamilton in the leg, whereupon the latter drew his gun and shot Kirk in the head, the ball penetrating the brain through one of Kirk's eyes. Both taken to the Petersburg hospital where Kirk died.

Efforts to locate and arrest Frank Still, a negro, who late Monday night shot and instantly killed Charles McGhee, because one of a party of men stepped on his toe at a negro dance, at Danville, failed though the police believe that the murderer is hiding in the vicinity of Poorhouse Hill, where the shooting took place.

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Some time ago I was taken with Kidney trouble which caused me to give up my work as blacksmith. I lost my appetite and could not sleep from the dreadful pains that would come over me, from my kidneys. I was treated by a physician for about three months. He could not help me so finally he prescribed Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root. I started taking same and before I had finished taking the first bottle I began to eat and sleep better than I had in a longtime. I continued to take same until I was entirely cured and took on considerable weight.

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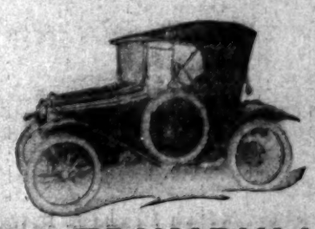
$395.  $395.

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Board of Aldermen

At an adjourned meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the city of Alexandria, Va., held February 15, 1916, there were present:

Henry K. Field, Esq., President and Messers. Brill, Robinson, Ballenger and Fitzgerald.

The following were received from the Common Council and their action concurred in:

Report of the Committee on Streets on a petition of residents of George Washington Park requesting that water mains be laid in that section and a statement of the Alexandria Water Company.

Preamble and resolution protesting against a bill introduced in the General Assembly of Virginia defining tangible and intangible property.

Resolution requesting the Senator from this district and the Delegate from Alexandria city and county to urge the passage of a bill removing from the constitution of the state restrictions against cities assessing property owners on streets which are to be improved.

An ordinance authorizing the Finance Committee to issue to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund interest-bearing certificates in lieu of coupon bonds of the issue of 1908. Ayes, Messrs. Brill, Robinson, Ballenger, Fitzgerald and Mr. President, 5. Noes, none.

Petition of J. Matthews for permission to erect warehouse in the square bounded by King, Prince, Lee and Union streets.

Petition of J. A. Taylor for permission to erect a frame kitchen at 816 Wolfe street.

Resolution appropriating $40 for placing flagstone crossings at Princess and Fayette streets.

Resolution appropriating $125 to place cinders on Madison and Montgomery streets, between Washington and Columbus. Ayes. Messrs. Brill, Robinson, Ballenger, Fitzgerald and Mr. President—5. Noes, none.

Petition of certain residents for improvement of Pendleton street between Columbus and Washington

Resolution authorizing the Fire Committee to procure estimates of the cost of 1,500 feet of fire hose.

Resolution requesting the Committee on Police to report the cost of a patrol wagon and patrol call stations.

The board then adjourned.

HENRY K. FIELD, President.
Teste: Luther H Thompson, Clerk.

Common Council

At a regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Alexandria, Va., held February 15th 1916. there were present:

Howard W. Smith, esq, President and Messrs, Marbury, H. R. Burke, C. S. T. Burke, Wattles, Desmond, Bales, Pohl, Brockett, Ballenger, and Bryan, (11).

An ordinance "authorizing the Finance Committee of the City Council to issue to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund the obligations of the City Council in the form of interest bearing certificates in lieu of coupon bonds of the issue of 1908, purchased with the receipts of the Sinking Fund and surrendered to the City Council, was recommended by the Finance Committee, and read three times and passed, Ayes 11. Noes 0.

Upon recommendation of the committee on Streets, permission was granted Mr. Jas. A. Layler to erect kitchen at No. 816 Wolfe St.

Upon request of H. R. Burke permission was granted Mr. J. Matthews to cover building with corrigated iron with fire proof roof for storage purposes in alley bounded by King, Prince, Lee and Union Streets.

A resolution appropriating $40 to lay flagstone crossing west side of Fayette Street and south side of Princess street at Princess and Fayette Streets, was offered by Mr Bales and passed, Ayes 11. Noes 0.

A resolution appropriation $125 to cinder Madison and Montgomery Sts between Washington and Columbus Streets was recommended by the committee on Streets and passed ayes 11. noes 0.

The following report from the Committee on Streets was adopted.

Your Committee reports until the City Council designates the streets in the sub-divisions that are to be public roads, your committee is unable to advise the Alexandria Water Company. Committee, however, feels justified in asking the City Council to notify the Alexandria Water Co. that roadway improvements of a permanent nature will be made this coming summer on the Leesburg turnpike, the Little River turnpike, or Duke Street extended, and on the Russell Road, and that ample watermains, where none are now should be laid on the said roads before the improvements are commenced.

F. F. MARBURY, Acting Chairman.

We the undersigned, residents and property owners, of George Washington Park, petition the Alexandria Water Co, for water service to their homes in George Washington Park and ask that same petition be granted at once.

L. A. Howard, Clinton Knight, Chas. E. Outcalt, H. C. Linn, C. R. Keith, T. A. Fannon, W. J. Penn, Wm King.

Office of The Alexandria Water Co., Alexandria, Va., June 22nd. 1915. To the Honorable City Council of Alexandria, Va,

In answer to your resolution passed June 8th, 1915. the Alexandria Water Company has had under consideration the newly annexed territory, to which your resolution refers, but, can formulate no plans until the city outlines or designates just what thoroughfares of these sub-divisions will be taken over as streets, avenues and public highways of the city of Alexandria.

Very respectfully,
The Alexandria Water Company,
By Geo. Uhler, Secretary.

Mr. Bryan offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted

Whereas there has been introduced in the Legislature of Virginia a Senate Bill No. 273 "Defining Tangible and Intangible Property," and whereas the passage of this bill will materially affect the City of Alexandria therefore be it

Resolved: That the Senator from this District and the member of the House of Delegates from this City and county be and they are hereby requested to use their best endeavors to defeat the passage of this bill, and be it further

Resolved: That the Clerk of the City Council be and he is hereby instructed to immediately forward a copy of this resolution to the aforesaid Senator and Delegate.

The Joint Committee on Streets and General Laws, recommended the following resolution which was unanimously adopted.

Be it Resolved by the City Council of Alexandria that the representatives of the City of Alexandria in the General Assembly of Virginia be, and the same are hereby, requested to do all they can towards taking the necessary steps to remove the restrictions in the Constitution of Virginia prohibiting cities from making local assessments upon property abutting on streets upon which public improvements are made, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to each representative of the City of Alexandria in the General Assembly of Virginia.

A petition to improve Pendleton Street between Columbus and Washington Streets was referred to the Joint Committee on Streets and Finance.

A resolution, requesting the Fire Committee to invite proposal for 1,500 feet of fire hose, was referred to the committee on Fire.

A resolution to ascertain cost and method of operating a Police Patrol wagon, and number of call stations necessary, within corporation limits, was offered by Mr. Ballenger and referred to the Joint Committee on Finance and Police.

The board then adjourned.

HOWARD W. SMITH, President.
Teste: Daniel R. Stansbury, Clerk.

Sorensen, the Dupont receiving agent at City Point, was shot down about midnight Saturday in the rear of the Dupont Hotel on the tracks of the Norfolk and Western by an unknown negro, and he is confined in the Dupont Hospital from the effects of his wounds.

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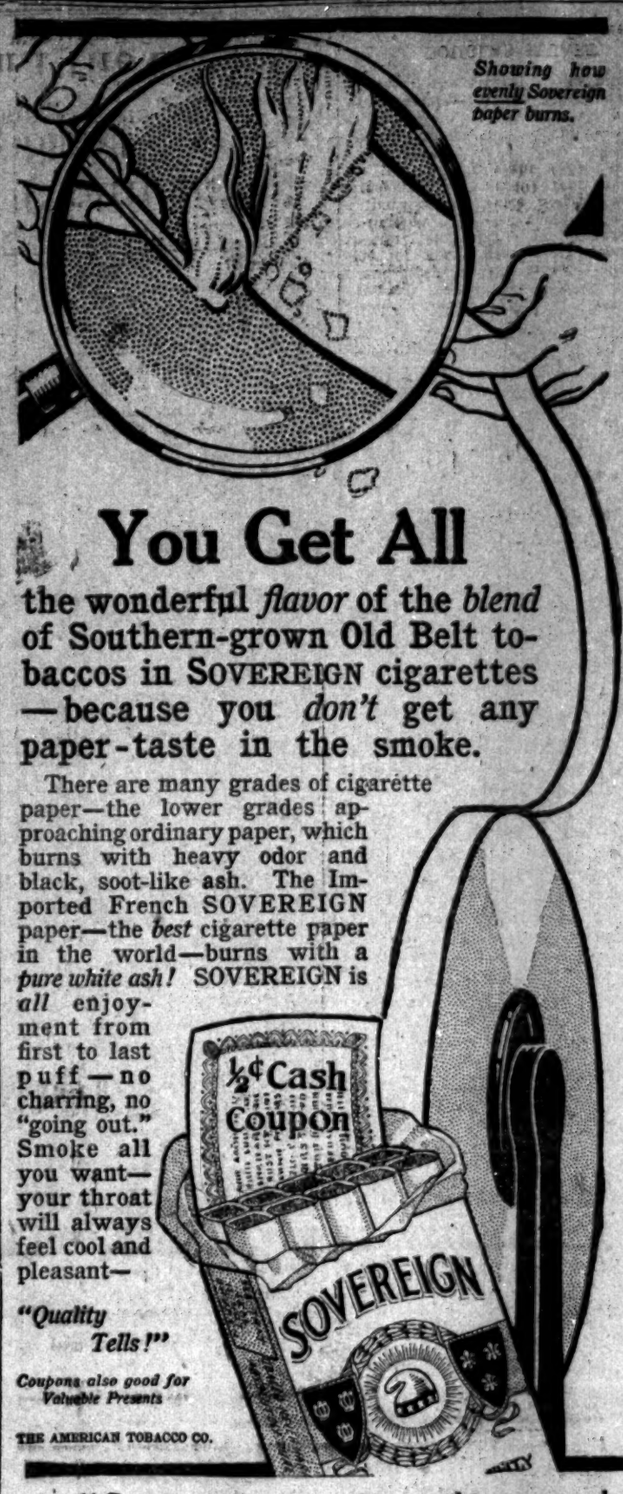

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By virtue of a Deed of Trust bearing date on the 20th day of July, 1904, and duly of record in the Land Records of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, in Deed Book No. 52, page 90, and at the request of the party thereby secured, default having been made in the payment of the notes secured by the said Deed of Trust, the undersigned Trustee will offer for sale, at public auction, on Saturday, the 19th of February, 1916, at twelve o'clock M. in front of the Royal Street entrance to the Market Building in the said City, all those two lots of ground with the improvements thereon, in the said City of Alexandria, and bounded as follows, to-wit:-

FIRST—All that lot of ground situated on the west side of Union Street, between King and Prince Sts., Beginning at the intersection of the west side of Union Street with the north side of Wales' alley, and running thence north on Union Street nineteen (19) feet one-half (1-2) inch; more or less to the middle of the partition between the brick house on the lot hereby conveyed, and the brick house adjoining on the north; thence west parallel to King Street, sixty (60) feet; thence south, parallel to Union Street, nineteen (19) feet one half (1-2) inch to the said alley; and thence east on said alley sixty (60) feet to the beginning, with the right of way over the said alley and all appurtenances.

SECOND—All that lot of ground located on Wales' Alley in the square bounded by King, Prince, Lee and Union Streets, Beginning on the north side of said alley one hundred (100) feet east of Lee Street, and running thence east on said alley one-hundred and forty (140) feet to the line of the lot above described; thence north thirty-eight (38) feet one and three-fourths (1 3-4) inches; thence west, parallel to Prince Street, one hundred and forty (140) feet, and thence south thirty-eight (38) feet one and three-fourth (1 3-4) inches to the beginning, with all appurtenances.

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8:47 A. M.—DailyLocal for Harrisonburg and way stations. Buffet parlor car.

9:17 A. M. Daily—Mail train, coaches for Manassas, Warrenton, Orange, Lynchburg, Greensboro and Charlotte.

10:22 A. M. Daily—U. S. Fast Mail stops only for passengers to points at which scheduled to stop: Coaches and Sleeping cars to Atlanta, New Orleans, Birmingham. Sleeping car Salisbury to Asheville, coaches for Charlottesville, Lynchburg Danville, Greensboro, and Charlotte.

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4:02 P. M. —Local for Harrisonburg and way Stations on Manassas branch. Pullman Buffet parlor cars

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IN THE CORPORATION COURT FOR THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VA.

William Hilton
vs IN CHANCERY
Annie R. Hilton.

Upon the application of the complainant stating specifically the last known place of abode of the defendant and that the defendant is not a resident of the State of Virginia, the Court doth on this 3rd day of February, 1916, grant the following order of publication:

The object of this suit is to obtain a decree for an absolute divorce for the complainant, William Hilton, from the defendant, Annie R. Hilton, on the ground of wilful desertion and abandonment without cause or excuse for a period of more than three (3) years prior to the institution of this suit; an affidavit having been made and filed that the defendant, Annie R. Hilton is not a resident of the State of Virginia; it is ordered that she do appear in the Clerk's Office of the said Court within fifteen (15) days after the publication of this order and do what is necessary to protect her interests in this suit; that a copy of this order of publication be inserted once a week for four (4) successive weeks in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in the City of Alexandria, Virginia; that a copy be posted at the front door of the Court House of said City on or before the next succeeding rule day after this order is entered, and that a copy of this order of publication be mailed by registered mail by the Clerk of this Court, addressed to the said non-resident defendant, at No. 2111 Eye St., North West, Washington, D. C., her last known place of abode.

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